

RESOLUTION NO. 1195

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EDMONDS, WASHINGTON, SUPPORTING SB 5143/HB 1318.

WHEREAS, the City of Edmonds relies on funds provided by the voters in an Emergency Medical Services levy; and

WHEREAS, the levy, once approved by voters, deteriorates in funding each year following the voter approval as inflation outpaces the 101% allowed annual increase of the levy; and

WHEREAS, this bill addresses the problem of deteriorating levy funds over time by allowing voter approved EMS levies to increase at a rate up to 106% per year; and

WHEREAS, this bill is supported by the Snohomish County Fire Chiefs Association and the Washington State Fire Chiefs Association; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds the passage of this bill is in the best interest of the citizens of Edmonds and the financial sustainability of services provided by the City of Edmonds, including EMS and fire services,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Edmonds declares its support for SB 5143 and HB 1318 and directs staff to communicate this support to our legislators, as well as to the sponsors of these important bills.

RESOLVED this 17th day of February, 2009.

APPROVED:



MAYOR, GARY HAAKENSEN

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

Sandra S. Chase

CITY CLERK, SANDRA S. CHASE

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: 02/13/2009

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: 02/17/2009

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